



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of:

NAVARRINI et al.

Application Number: 10/086,844

Filed: March 4, 2002

For: PERFLUORODIACYLPEROXIDES AS POLYMERIZATION INITIATORS

Confirmation No: 4312

Art Unit: 1713

Examiner: Fred Zitomer

Atty. Dkt. No.: 108910-00056

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

December 10, 2002

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 10, 2002, Applicants elect Group II, recited in claims 2-8, for prosecution on the merits at this time.

Applicants also elect the species of formula (A), as exemplified in Example 1 of the application.

All elections are made with traverse.

Applicants respectfully submit that Groups I and II are properly examinable together. Applicants point out that if the search and examination of an entire application can be made without serious burden, the entire application must be examined on the merits, even though it includes claims to independent or distinct inventions. See MPEP 803.

Applicants reserve the right to file a divisional application on any non-elected

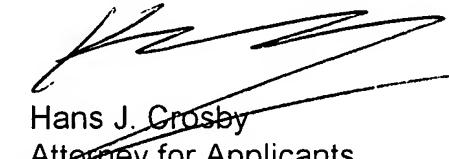
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subject matter at any point prior to the termination of the proceedings in the application.

In the event this paper is not being timely filed, the applicants respectfully petition for an appropriate extension of time. Any fees for such an extension together with any additional fees may be charged to Counsel's Deposit Account 01-2300, referencing Attorney Docket No. 108910-00056.

Respectfully submitted,



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